

March 20, 2008

Interstate 17 Construction Update

I-17 closed periodically Wednesday night at Dixileta Drive Other restrictions planned this week for widening, interchange projects

(Listen to an audio report of upcoming work)

Upcoming Restrictions

Interstate 17 will be closed periodically up to 15 minutes at a time overnight beginning at 9 p.m. Wednesday at Dixileta Drive for overhead utility work. Other restrictions are planned this week on I-17 and on Carefree Highway for interchange and widening projects.

All I-17 improvement projects from Loop 101 to Carefree Highway are scheduled for completion in 2009. Once improvements are underway to Carefree Highway, construction will begin this winter on widening I-17 to Anthem Way.

These projects are some of the first elements of the Regional Transportation Plan for Maricopa County and are funded through a voter-approved sales tax to improve and construct new roads throughout the Valley during the next 20 years. More information on the Regional Transportation Plan is available at www.azdot.gov/ValleyFreeways.

Here's an overview of scheduled restrictions on Interstate 17:

Interstate 17 at Daisy Mountain Drive

Saturday, March 22

6 – 9 a.m.

I-17 will be restricted to one lane southbound on Saturday morning for survey work related to the Carefree Highway to Anthem Way widening project.

Interstate 17 from Pinnacle Peak to Happy Valley roads

Monday, March 24 – Tuesday, March 25

10 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be restricted to one lane northbound during overnight hours from Monday night until Tuesday morning to set temporary concrete barriers for the I-17 widening project.

Interstate 17 from Pinnacle Peak to Happy Valley roads

Tuesday, March 25 – Wednesday, March 26

10 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be restricted to one lane southbound during overnight hours from Tuesday night until Wednesday morning to set temporary concrete barriers for the I-17 widening project.

Interstate 17 from Happy Valley to Jomax roads

Tuesday, March 25 – Wednesday, March 26

9 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be restricted to one lane northbound during overnight hours from Tuesday night until Wednesday morning to set temporary concrete barriers for work on the Jomax Road interchange.

<u>Interstate 17 at Dixileta Drive</u>

Tuesday, March 25 – Wednesday, March 26

10 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be restricted to one lane northbound during overnight hours from Tuesday night until Wednesday morning to set temporary concrete barriers for the I-17 widening project.

Interstate 17 at Dixileta Drive

Wednesday, March 26 – Thursday, March 27

9 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be closed periodically in both directions at Dixileta Drive during overnight hours from Wednesday night until the morning of Thursday, March 27 for overhead utility work. Drivers should expect 15-minute delays.

Interstate 17 from Lone Mountain Road to Carefree Highway (State Route 74)

Wednesday, March 26 – Friday, March 28

10 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be restricted to one lane northbound during overnight hours from Wednesday night until the morning of Friday, March 28 to set temporary concrete barriers for the I-17 widening project.

Interstate 17 at Carefree Highway (State Route 74)

Wednesday, March 26 – Friday, March 28

9 p.m. – 5 a.m.

I-17 will be restricted to one lane northbound and the northbound on-ramp will be closed at the Carefree Highway interchange during overnight hours from Wednesday night until the morning of Friday, March 28 for work on the Carefree Highway interchange. Drivers should use the Happy Valley Road interchange as a detour route.

Interstate 17 from Rose Garden Lane to Happy Valley Road

The I-17 frontage roads will be restricted to one lane for construction of the new frontage roads and I-17 widening project. This restriction will be in place through early summer.

Carefree Highway from I-17 to North Valley Parkway

Carefree Highway, just east of I-17, will be restricted to one lane westbound through early 2008 for work related to the reconstruction of the Carefree Highway interchange.

Drivers should anticipate minor delays and allow extra time, or adjust travel schedules to avoid closures and restrictions. ADOT appreciates your patience as we construct these improvements on I-17.

While ADOT strives to inform the public about planned freeway restrictions, during any complex construction project, there is a possibility that unscheduled closures or restrictions may occur. Please visit our <u>Web site</u> for the most current information about planned I-17 restrictions.

An audio podcast outlining this week's I-17 Traffic Alert can be downloaded from the ADOT Web site.

- For general information about I-17 improvements, contact the I-17 project hotline at 480.890.3055 or projectupdate@lewin-associates.com.
- For information on construction activities, contact Lars Jacoby at 602.712.7176 or ljacoby@azdot.gov.
- For traffic updates across Arizona, visit ADOT's Travel Information Site at www.az511.com or call 5-1-1.

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